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## THOSE MISSING CIA MANUALS

The trial of William Kampiles, a former CIA employee charged with stealing a top-secret satellite manual and selling it to a Soviet agent, has embarrassed the CIA with the disclosure in court that twelve other copies of the same manual are missing. Now there is further discomfiture: a few of the lost manuals have been found, but it develops that one of those still missing was signed out to the office of the CIA director and it was never returned. That copy of the 85-page manual was checked out of the files at a time in 1976 when George Bush was CIA director, but it was not signed out to the director himself. There is another puzzle: the security sleuths can't find any record showing that the book in question was ever received by the director's office.